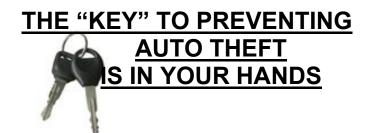
# **ATPA**

Michigan Automobile Theft Prevention Authority



# 2010 Annual Report

To the Governor and Legislature of the State of Michigan



- Lock your car and take the key.
- Use an anti-theft device.
- Put your valuables in the trunk.

# PLEASE DON'T HELP THE THIEVES



- Stolen vehicles are often the "key" to police officer injuries and deaths.
- Vehicle theft is the "key" gateway to a life of crime.
- Stolen vehicles are often the "key" tool used by organized crime, drive-by shootings, and drug traffickers.

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# ATPA Board of Directors – Grant Hearings August 4, 2010



From Left to Right: Russell Kohler, Fausto Martin, Eddie Washington, and Joe Dolan

# 2010 Board of Directors and Staff Automobile Theft Prevention Authority

The ATPA operates under a Board of Directors appointed by the Governor. By law, the board includes the Director of the Department of State Police and representatives of law enforcement, the automobile insurance industry, and purchasers of automobile insurance.

# **Director, Michigan State Police**

Colonel Eddie Washington, Chair

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Vacant

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# To the Governor and Honorable Members of the Michigan Legislature:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Michigan Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA), it is a pleasure to present our 2010 Annual Report, which shows auto thefts declined by 16.4% in 2009. Since the inception of the ATPA in 1986, Michigan's auto thefts have fallen by 58.8%, and we have achieved lower theft rates in 20 of 24 years.

Our success in the battle against auto theft is the direct result of the dedication and effort of the 116 men and women who are part of our law enforcement units, prosecutor units, and community programs. These highly motivated individuals often go above and beyond the call of duty to recover a stolen vehicle or arrest those responsible. As you read the case stories contained in this report, you will find many instances where our grantees worked together to solve these crimes.

The highlights of the report are as follows:

- Michigan motorists are saving \$52 per insured vehicle as a result of lower thefts.
- ATPA units have saved the insurance industry \$59 million in fraudulent theft claims since 1996.
- In 2010, ATPA units were involved in the recovery of 4,133 stolen vehicles or parts with an estimated worth of \$28 million.
- The return on investment of ATPA funds was \$5.31 for every \$1 spent in 2010.
- In 2010, ATPA units made 2,311 arrests.
- Since 1986, the program has made 55,519 arrests and recovered 74,155 vehicles or parts worth an estimated \$652.4 million.

I also want to thank the 47 agencies that participate in the ATPA program. In the face of reduced grant amounts, these agencies continue to make auto theft a high priority. Without the steadfast commitment of local, county, and state agencies to this program, we could not have achieved success in reducing Michigan's auto thefts.

Sincerely,

DIRECTOR

Michigan State Police

# THE AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY

# **History and Description**

#### **History**

In the mid-1980's, Michigan had the highest auto theft rate in the nation. Members of the Michigan Anti-Car Theft Campaign Committee (ACT) developed a concept that would combine the efforts of law enforcement, communities and business against auto theft.

In 1986, Michigan's Governor and Legislature decided to try the ACT Committee's idea. So began one of Michigan's most effective weapons against crime: the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA).

Since then, the ATPA has led the way in reducing auto thefts in the state.

### A Successful Experiment

The ATPA was established with a sunset provision that automatically abolished the program unless it was renewed by the Legislature. The purpose of the sunset was to ensure that the program, created as an experiment in law enforcement, was doing its job as intended.

In 1992, the Legislature and Governor agreed that the ATPA should become a permanent state agency. The legislation was passed overwhelmingly in both the House and Senate.

# **How the ATPA Works**

The ATPA is funded by an annual \$1 assessment on each insured non-commercial passenger vehicle, plus interest earned by investing those funds.

It is governed by a seven-member board of directors appointed by the Governor which includes representatives of law enforcement, automobile insurers and consumers of automobile insurance.

Each year, the board awards grants to law enforcement agencies, prosecutors' offices and non-profit community organizations. These grant programs prevent auto theft, catch auto thieves, and put the thieves in jail.

The ATPA has four staff members at the Michigan State Police headquarters in downtown Lansing. They conduct financial and performance audits on each program, prepare reports for the board, and assist with the VIN etching program.

ATPA board members are liaisons, sharing crucial information with key state and national officials.

Finally, ATPA board members and staff are involved in long-range planning. Regular meetings, including an annual strategic planning session, provide updated goals and objectives for fighting auto theft.

# **Stretching Resources**

Since its inception in 1986, funding for the ATPA has remained relatively constant. However, the cost of the ATPA funded programs has increased. For the past 24 years, the activities of the ATPA have drawn from these fixed resources in the most efficient and effective manner.

In order to stretch ATPA funds, the board requires grantees to provide matching funds for their anti-theft efforts. In 1993, grant recipients were required to provide 12.5% of total program costs. That match was increased to 25% beginning in 1994 and became 40% in 2009. The match rose to 50% for the 2010 programs.

# **Bucking the Trend**

From 1986 to 2009, auto thefts in Michigan dropped 59%. During that same time period, national thefts only fell 35%. National and state officials have agreed the ATPA is a major reason for Michigan's decline in auto theft.

As a direct result, major Michigan auto insurers' average rate of comprehensive premiums, relative to other states, has been reduced. In 1987, Michigan's comprehensive premiums were 5<sup>th</sup> highest in the nation but fell to 22nd highest in 2007. Michigan motorists paid \$21 into the fund from 1987 to 2007, but have saved over \$661 by not being in 5<sup>th</sup> place. The \$1 investment by owners of non-commercial passenger vehicles earned a return of \$52 in 2007.

# 2010 OVERVIEW OF ATPA ACTIVITY

# **Website**

The ATPA website continues to be updated and can be accessed at <a href="www.michigan.gov/atpa">www.michigan.gov/atpa</a>. The site provides a wealth of historical information and current data, as well as being interactive with ATPA grantees and the general public.

### **Local Match**

Based upon a thorough review of ATPA projected revenues, fund balance and anticipated future grant requests, the board implemented a 50% local match last year and that match will continue for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

# **Grant Hearings**

Four board members participated in the 2011 grant hearings held on August 4, 2010, in Dearborn at the AAA Michigan Headquarters. Total grant requests were almost \$13 million. Final approved budgets totaled \$11.9 million, with an ATPA share of \$6 million. The overflow crowd saw 47 different agencies/entities receive funding, supporting 110 personnel.

#### New Staff at the ATPA

The ATPA welcomes the newest member of our staff, Jeannie Worden who has provided administrative support to the ATPA team since June 2010. Jeannie came to the ATPA from the Michigan Department of Community Health.

#### Heartfelt Thanks For Your Service to the ATPA

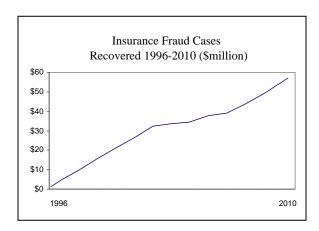
Dave Tjepkema started his career with the ATPA in 1989 and Chalouy "Newt" Shoup started her career with the ATPA in 1988. Both Dave and Newt have elected to take advantage of the State's Early Out. Their retirements will be effective on December 31, 2010. Dave and Newt's commitment to excellence has left a lasting mark on each of us that have had the privilege of working with them. Thank you for touching our lives in such a positive and meaningful way. You will be greatly missed by your MSP colleagues and the countless number of law enforcement personnel and community organizations from around the state.

# **Grant Guidelines**

The Board provided the following guidelines to staff: 1) grantees having vacant positions will have until 1/1/2011 to fill them or lose ATPA funding for these positions; 2) grantees will continue to be reimbursed 50% of the ATPA share semi-annually; 3) grantees will not be allowed to move funding from one participating agency to another — except when filling vacancies; 4) reimbursement of grant expenditures incurred from 10/1/2010 to 4/1/2011 may not be paid until 4/30/2011.

# **Insurance Fraud Savings**

A review of ATPA funded law enforcement teams in the past 15 years found that those teams were involved in over 8,200 fraud cases and \$59 million in claims denied/recoveries. Without the ATPA teams, these fraudulent claims would have been paid.



# **VIN Etching Proves Successful**

The ATPA's multi-year study of VIN etched vehicles showed that etched vehicles are 29% less likely to be stolen when compared to the rest of the vehicles in Michigan.

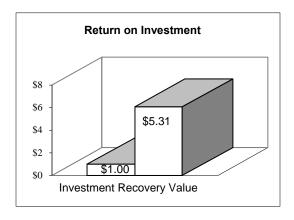
ATPA non-profit groups and the ATPA staff etched almost 900 vehicles. Not only does it make a car less appealing to car thieves, but an etched vehicle may also qualify for a discount on the comprehensive portion of auto insurance premiums. There have been nearly 43,400 vehicles etched in this program.

# TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS

\* All first names used in the following articles are fictitious.

# Return on Investment

During 2010, ATPA grantees achieved the following: 4,133 recovery incidents; 2,311 arrests; and nearly 900 vehicles etched. The law enforcement grantees recovered \$5.31 for every \$1 the ATPA invested.



- Creative "Floor Plan" The Genesee County Auto Theft Team investigated four dealerships who sold 63 vehicles they did not own. The vehicles were obtained from a Massachusetts leasing company who kept the original title as collateral. The dealers sold the vehicles on copies of the title. Many of those titles were accepted by Secretary of State Clerks but finally at about the same time, the leasing company did an audit, could not find its vehicles on the dealers' lots, and demanded payment from the dealers. The auto theft investigators recovered 23 vehicles worth about \$310,000 and found that the other 40 vehicles had been purchased by "innocent" individuals. The owners of all four dealerships were charged with racketeering and larceny by conversion.
- Car 54 Where Are You? The Washtenaw County Auto Theft Unit recovered another officer's vehicle. The officer had responded to a complaint and placed a husband and wife in the back seat of his vehicle. While the officer was discussing several issues with the complainant, the female who was placed in the rear of the officer's vehicle

- climbed into the front seat through the small divider screen and commandeered the patrol car. A short time later, the wife stopped the vehicle and had her husband take over driving the vehicle. Auto theft officers recovered the vehicle within 20 minutes. When officers asked them why they stole the police cruiser, they indicated they were homeless and wanted to go to a nice warm jail. The judge accommodated their request!
- Bad Boys-Bad Boys, What's Ya Gonna Do? The Grand Rapids Auto Theft Team investigated the breaking and entering of two used car dealerships where seven vehicles had been stolen with keys. Officers used On-Star to locate one of the vehicles (it had a stolen plate on it) and dusted it for finger prints. Video cameras at the dealerships provided some images of the three suspects. Officers were able to recover the other six vehicles abandoned around the area, and found a restaurant receipt in one of the vehicles. Officers went to the diner and inquired if they had any "dine and dash" incidents on that day. A clerk remembered such an incident and officers reviewed the video clip which clearly identified their suspects. The lab was able to match up finger prints on three suspects and all three were subsequently arrested. One of the subjects was already in jail for committing several armed robberies while driving one of the stolen vehicles.
- What's a Gun Permit? Saginaw County Auto Theft officers investigated a carjacking case where a group of seven teenagers (three with guns) hit the female driver of the vehicle in the head twice with their pistols and stole her keys and wallet. Officers responded to the scene and easily located the stolen vehicle from the constant stream of 911 calls indicating the teens were driving around pointing guns at innocent bystanders. Patrol units were dispatched to stop the vehicle and arrest the teens. The victim was able to positively identify four of the teens and the prosecutor issued 16 to 17 counts on each of the subjects.

# TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS, Continued

- Dog-Gone It! A Lansing Auto Theft officer was investigating a carjacking of a woman at a local bank's ATM. The victim had been pulled from her SUV and thrown to the ground. Somehow the victim managed to get one of two dogs out of the vehicle before the suspect drove away. The woman was more concerned over the abduction of her small dog than the loss of her vehicle. The investigating officer quickly located the abandoned vehicle that was left in the middle of a street and quickly reunited the victim with her two unharmed dogs.
- Another Car-Jacker on His Way to Jail! In late September the Chief of Police of Hamtramck P.D. along with members of the SCAT Team (Surveillance Catches Auto Thieves) were meeting in Lansing with members of the ATPA staff and its Board of Directors. While driving back to Hamtramck from Lansing the Chief was notified of a carjacking. The suspect was a 27 year old Detroit man armed with a Smith and Wesson 32 caliber revolver that car-jacked a 19 year old Hamtramck man. The victim was sitting in his 1997 Chevy Malibu in Hamtramck when the suspect, armed with the gun, pointed it to the head of the victim and demanded his vehicle. The suspect drove off without further incident. Some alert citizen observed the car-jacking and called Hamtramck P.D. and then proceeded to follow the suspect driving the stolen vehicle. In a very short time, Hamtramck Police officers were following the stolen vehicle and after a brief pursuit the suspect parked the vehicle and fled on foot. He was quickly apprehended and arrested without further incidence. The handgun was also recovered.
- Simple Traffic Stop? The Southwest Michigan Auto Theft Team was asked to investigate a vehicle that had been stopped for speeding. The patrol officer observed the public VIN tag was crooked and had no rivets. Auto Theft officers discovered the vehicle's true identity by locating the confidential VIN and searching the vehicles computer. The detectives obtained the driver's consent to search three different properties he owned, and officers located three more stolen vehicles. At one property,

officers discovered additional VIN tags and federal safety stickers that were going to be used to re-tag future stolen vehicles. The suspect was charged with operating a chop shop and officers seized over \$18,000 in tools/equipment under forfeiture provisions.

# **Historical Performance of the ATPA**

The following table displays the historical performance of ATPA law enforcement auto theft consortiums.

YEAR	ARRESTS	\$ VALUE RECOVERED
1989-2003	36,842	374,946,375
2004	2,719	33,819,435
2005	2,778	37,420,835
2006	2,957	49,220,230
2007	3,073	50,391,560
2008	2,256	39,541,465
2009	2,583	39,316,557
2010	2,311	28,370,280
TOTALS	55,519	\$653,026,737

Beating the Odds! What are the odds of having the navigation system stolen from your vehicle and then reinstalled by your dealership? A man notified the Troy Police Department after he discovered the stereo/navigation system that his dealer had just installed was the same one stolen a week earlier: the radio stations were preset to his preferences and the CD in the system had been custom made by him.

The Macomb County Auto Theft Squad quickly tracked down the source of the navigation system. With assistance from the Troy PD, officers searched six locations in Macomb County and confiscated over 400 navigation systems. Two subjects were arrested and other subjects will be soon. Officers followed tips all the way to Florida and recovered over 500 navigation systems stolen from Michigan vehicles. Thieves were being paid \$300 per unit, the "fence" was selling them for \$900 on the internet to repair facilities and insurance companies were billed up to \$2,000 for the "refurbished" units.

# TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS, Continued

• Investment Con Mike talks Dan into buying \$200,000 of new vehicles so they can be sub-leased to folks who have poor credit but are willing to pay a premium to get an automobile. Dan gives the vehicles to Mike with visions of profits in his head. After a few months of making the vehicle payments and not receiving any money from Mike, Dan goes to the police and finds out some of the vehicles are being titled in other states.

Macomb County Auto Theft Officers investigate the complaint and discover Mike quickly sold the vehicles to others who resold them to people who are considered "innocent" purchasers: those vehicles remain with the bona-fide purchaser but Dan is still responsible for the original payments! Officers have turned all their information on Mike over to a federal prosecutor.

Successful Cooperation The theft of vehicle tires and rims was exploding in Metro-Detroit so Western Wayne Auto Theft Unit (WWATU) and Detroit's Commercial Auto Theft Section (DPD-CATS) began to investigate. Several thieves indicated to officers that four tire shops were placing orders for specific tires/rims, but they expressed to their buyers that they would purchase almost anything. Officers surveillance conducted and several undercover "sales" to the four stores. Seven search warrants were executed on the businesses and the owner's residences and 554 stolen tires/rims (estimated worth \$275,000) were recovered.

Livonia PD, Southfield PD, FBI, National Insurance Crime Bureau and Michigan Secretary of State personnel all contributed to this successful investigation and favorable conclusion. The effort to eliminate this type of theft continues as officers conduct surveillance, business inspections and undercover "sales" to tire stores.

ID Thefts The Oakland County Auto Theft Team received a tip from a repair shop that a 2011 Porsche might be stolen. Officers had the "owner" and subject who dropped him off stopped after the Porsche was picked up at the repair shop. Officers quickly learned this case was unusual: the two subjects were using stolen ID's to buy expensive vehicles and were having them delivered to vacant homes in Detroit. Officers recovered five vehicles and prevented the delivery of two others. None of the ID theft victims were even aware of the scam because the first payments on the vehicles were not due yet. In addition, the officers learned that these two subjects were wanted on a State Police arrest warrant for retail purchases they had made on credit cards (more ID thefts).

### **Vehicle Theft Rates**

From 1986 to 2009, both Michigan's population and registered vehicle fleet have grown 9% and 33% respectively. Despite these factors, Michigan's theft rate per 100,000 population and per 100,000 registered vehicles has fallen dramatically.

THEFT RATE	1986	2009	% CHANGE
Population	787.5	297.4	-62.2
Vehicles	999.5	310.2	-69.0

• Brave Heart Genesee County Auto Theft Team investigated several carjackings where all the victims had driven to flint to purchase I-phones that had been advertised on Craigslist. When the victims met their "contact", they were robbed at gun point and their vehicles taken. Subsequently, a female officer posed as a potential customer and convinced the suspects to sell her an I-phone. As expected all three suspects showed up -- pointed guns at the officer's head, and were immediately arrested by the five other auto theft officers who had been hiding close by.

	2009 FBI MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS						
		Total			Theft Rate per		
	State	2009 MVT		State	100,000 pop.		
1	California	164,021	1	District of Columbia	922.5		
2	Texas	76,559	2	Nevada	468.4		
3	Florida	50,259	3	California	443.8		
4	Georgia	33,145	4	Arizona	394.0		
5	MICHIGAN (UCR)	29,647	5	Hawaii	372.1		
6	Illinois	26,676	6	Washington	355.3		
7	Arizona	25,986	7	Maryland	344.2		
8	Washington	23,680	8	Georgia	337.2		
9	Ohio	22,890	9	New Mexico	322.2		
10	New York	21,870	10	Texas	308.9		
11	North Carolina	20,024	11	Michigan	297.4		
12	Maryland	19,619	12	South Carolina	297.4		
13	Pennsylvania	17,821	13	Missouri	291.9		
14	Missouri	17,479	14	Oklahoma	282.2		
15	New Jersey	15,508	15	Florida	271.1		
16	Tennessee	14,973	16	Louisiana	260.8		
17	Indiana	13,879	17	Oregon	258.0		
18	South Carolina	13,566	18	Colorado	247.9		
19	Colorado	12,458	19	Utah	247.9		
20	Nevada	12,379	20	Alaska	241.8		
21	Massachusetts	11,735	21	Tennessee	237.8		
22	Louisiana	11,717	22	Alabama	235.3		
23	Virginia	11,419	23	Rhode Island	227.2		
24	Alabama	11,081	23	Indiana	216.1		
25	Oklahoma	10,404	25	Delaware	215.5		
26	Oregon	9,869	26	North Carolina	213.5		
27	Wisconsin	8,926	27	Connecticut	212.5		
28	Minnesota	8,519	28	Kansas	211.2		
29	Connecticut	7,476	29	Arkansas	211.2		
30	Utah	6,904	30	Illinois	206.6		
31	New Mexico	6,476	31	Ohio	198.3		
32	Arkansas	6,103	32	Nebraska	193.8		
33	Kentucky	6,080	33	Mississippi	183.0		
34	Kansas	5,954	34	New Jersey	178.1		
35	District of Columbia	5,532	35	Massachusetts	178.0		
36	Mississippi	5,401	36	Minnesota	161.8		
37	Hawaii	4,819	37	Wisconsin	157.8		
38	lowa	3,888	38	West Virginia	150.6		
39	Nebraska	3,481	39	Montana	149.3		
40	West Virginia	2,741	40	Virginia	144.9		
41	Rhode Island	2,393	41	Wyoming	141.7		
42	Delaware	1,907	42	Pennsylvania	141.4		
43	Alaska	1,689	43	Kentucky	140.9		
44	Montana	1,456	44	North Dakota	131.7		
45	Idaho	1,442	45	lowa	129.3		
46	New Hampshire	1,124	46	New York	111.9		
47	Maine	1,021	47	South Dakota	100.1		
48	North Dakota	852	48	Idaho	93.3		
49	South Dakota	813	49	New Hampshire	84.9		
50	Wyoming	771	50	Maine	77.4		
51	Vermont TOTAL	* <b>794</b> 880	51	Vermont AVERAGE	72.1		
	NATIONAL TOTAL	* 794,880		NATIONAL AVERAGE	258.8		

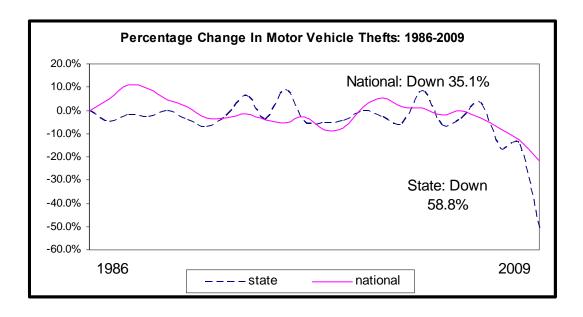
<sup>\*</sup>Includes 264 Motor Vehicle Thefts in Puerto Rico

20 STATES WITH HIGHEST MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS (FBI)						
				1996-2009	1986-2009	
	1986	1996	2009	CHANGE	CHANGE	
CALIFORNIA	005 507	0.40, 400	164 001	20.40/	00.00/	
CALIFORNIA	205,597	242,466	164,021	-32.4%	-20.2%	
TEXAS	119,121	104,928	76,559	-27.0%	-35.7%	
FLORIDA	69,824	103,769	50,259	-51.6%	-28.0%	
GEORGIA	26,264	46,215	33,145	-28.3%	26.2%	
MICHIGAN UCR	72,021	62,930	29,647	-52.9%	-58.8%	
ILLINOIS	72,587	58,077	26,676	-54.1%	-63.2%	
ARIZONA	13,892	41,034	25,986	-36.7%	87.1%	
WASHINGTON	14,037	28,893	23,680	-18.0%	68.7%	
OHIO	40,396	45,528	22,890	-49.7%	-43.3%	
NEW YORK	113,247	89,900	21,870	-75.7%	-80.7%	
NORTH CAROLINA	13,186	24,566	20,024	-18.5%	51.9%	
MARYLAND	24,334	36,083	19,619	-45.6%	-19.4%	
PENNSYLVANIA	42,130	49,690	17,821	-64.1%	-57.7%	
MISSOURI	22,233	23,992	17,479	-27.1%	-21.4%	
NEW JERSEY	59,096	46,437	15,508	-66.6%	-73.8%	
TENNESSEE	26,109	34,428	14,973	-56.5%	-42.7%	
INDIANA	18,027	24,817	13,879	-44.1%	-23.0%	
SOUTH CAROLINA	9,344	15,849	13,566	-14.4%	45.2%	
COLORADO	15,876	15,206	12,458	-18.1%	-21.5%	
NATIONAL	1,224,127	1,395,192	794,616	-43.0%	-35.1%	

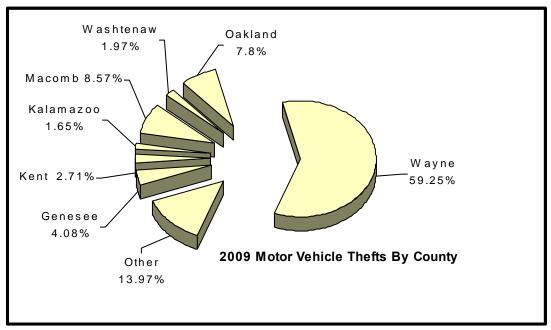
U.S. TOP 10 MOST STOLEN						
2008 Model Year NICB 2009 Data Source: NHTSA, July 2010 (All Years and Models)						
	MAKE/MODEL	MAKE/MODEL				
4. 5.	Dodge Charger Dodge Avenger Pontiac G6 Chevrolet Colbalt Chevrolet Impala Chevrolet Malibu	1. 1994 Honda Accord 2. 1995 Honda Civic 3. 1991 Toyota Camry 4. 1997 Ford F-150 Pickup 5. 2004 Dodge Ram Pickup 6. 2000 Dodge Caravan				
7. 8. 9.		7. 1994 Chevrolet Pickup 8. 1994 Acura Integra 9. 2002 Ford Explorer 10. 2009 Toyota Corolla				

The following table provides data indicating that from 1986 to 2009, Michigan thefts have declined 58.8% and national thefts have declined by 35.1%.

	Sta	te	Det	roit	Nati	National	
		%		%		%	
Year	Thefts	Change	Thefts	Change	Thefts	Change	
1986	72,021		31,913		1,224,127		
1987	68,415	-5.0	29,811	-6.6	1,285,300	5.0	
1988	67,211	-1.8	30,123	1.0	1,432,916	11.5	
1989	65,297	-2.8	28,123	-6.6	1,564,800	9.2	
1990	65,220	-0.1	30,376	8.0	1,635,907	4.5	
1991	62,636	-4.0	28,740	-5.4	1,661,738	1.6	
1992	58,037	-7.3	27,344	-4.9	1,610,834	-3.1	
1993	56,670	-2.4	28,061	2.6	1,561,047	-3.1	
1994	60,227	6.3	29,569	5.4	1,539,097	-1.4	
1995	57,895	-3.9	29,273	-1.0	1,472,732	-4.3	
1996	62,930	8.7	34,265	17.1	1,395,192	-5.3	
1997	59,826	-4.9	33,439	-2.4	1,353,707	-3.0	
1998	56,536	-5.5	28,651	-14.3	1,240,754	-8.3	
1999	54,018	-4.5	26,607	-7.1	1,147,305	-7.5	
2000	53,889	-0.2	25,892	-2.7	1,165,559	1.6	
2001	52,310	-2.9	24,537	-5.2	1,226,457	5.2	
2002	49,248	-5.9	23,857	-2.8	1,246,096	1.6	
2003	53,307	8.2	25,356	6.3	1,260,471	1.2	
2004	49,982	-6.2	24,573	-3.1	1,237,114	-1.9	
2005	48,064	-3.8	21,439	-12.8	1,235,226	-0.2	
2006	49,709	3.4	22,918	6.9	1,192,809	-3.4	
2007	41,510	-16.5	19,655	-14.2	1,095,769	-8.1	
2008	35,467	-14.6	16,117	-18.0	956,846	-12.7	
2009	29,647	-16.4	13,252	-17.8	794,616	-17.0	
% Change		-58.8		-58.5		-35.1	



# **COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS**



	мото	R VEHICLE	THEFTS	CHANGE	CHANGE	CHANGE
COUNTY	1986	1996	2009	1986- 1996	1996- 2009	1986 - 2009
WAYNE	43,300	42,602	17,567	-1.6%	-58.8%	-59.4%
MACOMB	5,832	2,836	2,541	-51.4%	-10.4%	-56.4%
OAKLAND	9,310	3,886	2,312	-58.3%	-40.5%	-75.2%
GENESEE	3,290	3,329	1,209	1.2%	-63.7%	-63.3%
KENT	1,778	1,542	804	-13.3%	-47.9%	-54.8%
WASHTENAW	1,449	1,122	584	-22.6%	-48.0%	-59.7%
KALAMAZOO	591	556	489	-5.9%	-12.1%	-17.3%
MUSKEGON	331	408	371	23.3%	-9.1%	12.1%
INGHAM	812	857	334	5.5%	-61.0%	-58.9%
SAGINAW	569	588	310	3.3%	-47.3%	-45.5%
ST. CLAIR	261	308	233	18.0%	-24.4%	-10.7%
CALHOUN	244	473	211	93.9%	-55.4%	-13.5%
MONROE	279	438	205	57.0%	-53.2%	-26.5%
JACKSON	308	277	199	-10.1%	-28.2%	-35.4%
BERRIEN	408	474	172	16.2%	-63.7%	-57.8%
OTTAWA	194	226	134	16.5%	-40.7%	-30.9%
BAY	175	272	108	55.4%	-60.3%	-38.3%
VAN BUREN	150	116	94	-22.7%	-19.0%	-37.3%
ALLEGAN	74	120	91	62.2%	-24.2%	23.0%
ST. JOSEPH	74	82	89	10.8%	8.5%	20.3%
REMAINDER	2,592	2,418	1,590	-6.7%	-34.2%	-38.7%
STATE TOTAL	72,021	62,930	29,647	-12.6%	-52.9%	-58.8%

# **AGENCIES WITH MORE THAN 100 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS**

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	% CHG 2003-
JURISDICTION	THEFTS	2009						
DETROIT	25,356	24,573	21,439	22,918	19,655	16,117	13,252	-47.7
WARREN	1,587	1,402	1,633	1,805	1,163	1,274	1,056	-33.5
FLINT	1,298	1,563	1,583	1,521	1,034	904	670	-48.4
DEARBORN	1,317	1,037	1,082	1,035	801	835	595	-54.8
SOUTHFIELD	1,126	813	850	707	631	540	480	-57.4
GRAND RAPIDS	709	739	678	697	589	453	371	-47.7
HAMTRAMCK	632	368	631	534	454	449	354	-44.0
HARPER WOODS	435	281	347	475	322	287	348	-20.0
WESTLAND	531	435	465	446	332	423	324	-39.0
PONTIAC	409	469	488	565	615	479	312	-23.7
REDFORD TWP (Wayne)	453	508	535	562	436	196	299	-34.0
EASTPOINTE	378	367	387	554	356	390	294	-22.2
KALAMAZOO	395	313	319	395	351	282	277	-29.9
TAYLOR	556	482	471	371	422	324	261	-53.1
WASHTENAW CO. SHERIFF	427	381	338	305	292	224	244	-42.9
CLINTON TWP (Macomb)	310	264	298	316	311	304	236	-23.9
DEARBORN HGTS	384	361	417	370	342	291	233	-39.3
ROSEVILLE	454	351	343	550	427	325	225	-50.4
LIVONIA	271	289	283	313	267	250	214	-21.0
LANSING	456	471	412	472	357	333	209	-54.2
LINCOLN PARK	302	342	403	377	315	233	203	-32.8
STERLING HGTS	292	235	239	343	244	203	190	-34.9
OAKLAND CO. SHERIFF	375	310	261	245	197	200	188	-49.9
OAK PARK	245	230	302	257	196	190	174	-29.0
ROMULUS	290	253	167	166	184	107	159	-45.2
MACOMB CO. SHERIFF	154	157	256	302	232	203	157	1.9
MONROE CO. SHERIFF	214	200	241	233	175	142	155	-27.6
SAGINAW	280	332	376	340	327	214	153	-45.4
WYOMING	214	190	211	259	209	180	153	-28.5
HAZEL PARK	191	172	253	257	170	205	140	-26.7
BATTLE CREEK	230	181	187	218	206	151	139	-39.6
INKSTER	219	340	266	257	170	186	136	-37.9
FARMINGTON HILLS	160	137	153	168	166	168	133	-16.9
MADISON HEIGHTS	299	246	303	275	175	188	129	-56.9
KENT CO. SHERIFF	234	199	194	186	188	174	126	-46.2
ANN ARBOR	225	182	238	173	160	145	126	-44.0
FLINT TWP (Genesee)	223	221	287	193	216	201	121	-45.7
ST. CLAIR CO SHERIFF	153	165	19	169	12	131	119	-22.2
ST. CLAIR SHORES	277	156	247	290	221	151	114	-58.8
FERNDALE	162	142	154	196	136	144	112	-30.9
KALAMAZOO CO. SHERIFF	221	124	123	132	139	115	111	-49.8
MUSKEGON	216	238	238	170	158	129	110	-49.1

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	2008	2009	% CHANGE				
COUNTY	THEFTS	THEFTS	2008-2009				
WAYNE	20,950	17,567	-16				
MACOMB	3,134	2,541	-19				
OAKLAND	2,949	2,312	-22				
GENESEE	1,630	1,209	-26				
KENT	961	804	-16				
WASHTENAW	617	584	-5				
KALAMAZOO	508	489	-4				
MUSKEGON	334	371	11				
INGHAM	491	334	-32				
SAGINAW	390	310	-21				
ST. CLAIR	283	233	-18				
CALHOUN	223	211	-5				
MONROE	214	205	-4				
JACKSON	236	199	-16				
BERRIEN	212	172	-19				
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OTTAWA	136	134	-1				
BAY	143	108	-24				
VAN BUREN	153	94	-39				
ALLEGAN	102	91	-11				
ST. JOSEPH	67	89	33				
STATE TOTAL	35,467	29,647	-16				



201	2010 MICHIGAN'S MOST STOLEN						
	Make/Model						
1.	2000 Dodge Truck						
2.	1998 Dodge Truck						
3.	1999 Dodge Truck						
4.	2002 Dodge Intrepid						
5.	2001 Dodge Truck						
6.	2000 Dodge Intrepid						
7.	1996 Dodge Truck						
8.	1997 Dodge Truck						
9.	2001 Dodge Intrepid						
10.	1997 Ford Truck						
11.	1997 Ford Taurus						
12.	1999 Ford Taurus						

2010 THIEVES FAVORITE CHOICES						
Color	Month	Day of Week				
1. Black	1. December	Thursday				
2. White	2. November	Monday				
3. Blue	3. October	Wednesday				
4. Red	4. September	Friday				
5. Green	5. August	Tuesday				
6. Silver	6. July	Saturday				
7. Grey	7. June	Sunday				
8. Maroon	8. April					
9. Gold	9. March					
10. Tan	10. May					
11. Purple	11. January					
12. Brown	12. February					

# PERFORMANCE As Reported for the Period of Oct. 1, 2009 -Sept. 30, 2010

				VALUE					
		ATPA	VEHICLE RECOVERIES			<u>s</u>			
	GRANT			& EQUIP	PASS	OTHER	PARTS	ARRESTS	
LAW ENFORCEMENT	_	AWARD		COVERED	VEHICLE	VEHICLE		MVT	OTHER
Detroit PD-Central	\$	630,355	\$	3,212,220	305	11	1	289	13
Detroit PD-Precincts	\$	488,704	\$	6,085,155	1146	11		313	21
Detroit Fire Dept	\$	48,095	\$	710,050	129			25	
Dearborn PD	\$	108,764	\$	626,000	81			43	
Grand Rapids PD	\$	236,778	\$	1,023,550	128	8	3	180	92
Grosse Pointe Park PD	\$	239,638	\$	2,523,300	775	5	2	89	13
Hamtramck PD	\$	93,732	\$	253,900	69			42	6
Lansing PD	\$	60,649	\$	754,700	91	1		42	2
Muskegon Hgts PD	\$	61,327	\$	76,325	10			11	7
Saginaw PD	\$	118,328	\$	629,000	77	9	1	75	2
Southfield	\$	134,671	\$	319,950	26	1	3	57	4
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Genesee Sheriff	\$	320,661	\$	2,708,010	300	25	16	216	46
Macomb Sheriff	\$	560,267	\$	1,908,870	141	25	8	251	4
Oakland Sheriff Ottawa Sheriff	\$	595,596	\$	1,672,340	166 1	16 1	5 40	181 1	19
Ottawa Sheriii	Φ	46,424	Φ	313,825	I		40	<u> </u>	
MSP Training	\$	60,960	\$	373,700	27	25	6	16	
MSP Western Wayne	\$	633,882	\$	2,784,145	182	12	7	108	2
MSP Downriver	\$	423,967	\$	681,375	72	2	2	17	10
MSP Monroe	\$	79,855	\$	478,155	18	12	5	7	1
MSP S.W. Mich	\$	264,688	\$	814,460	68	26	6	77	12
MSP Washtenaw	\$	132,494	\$	421,250	15	10	1	15	
SUBTOTAL	\$	5,339,835	\$	28,370,280	3,827	200	106	2,055	256
							PRETRIAL		
			W	ARRANTS	<b>EXAMS</b>	EXAMS	GUILTY		TRIAL
PROSECUTORS				ISSUED	HELD	WAIVED	PLEAS	TRIALS	CONV
Genesee County	\$	74,293		208	42	107	144		
Saginaw County	\$	55,073		129	38	66	98	7	7
Macomb County	\$	66,654		254	15	131	230	2	2
Wayne County	\$	437,246		2,146	203	1,028	1,798	4	2
SUBTOTAL	\$	633,266		2,737	298	1,332	2,270	13	11
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NON-PROFITS				/EHICLES ETCHED	TRAINING MEETINGS	TITLE HISTORY			
Dept of State	\$	61,439		LICHED	WEETINGS	3,102			
W.Grand-Grand Rapids	\$	36,892		612	33	3,102			
Mt. Olive Grand Lodge	\$	14,180		272	64				
SUBTOTAL	\$	112,511		884	97	3,102			
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GRAND TOTAL	\$	6,085,612							
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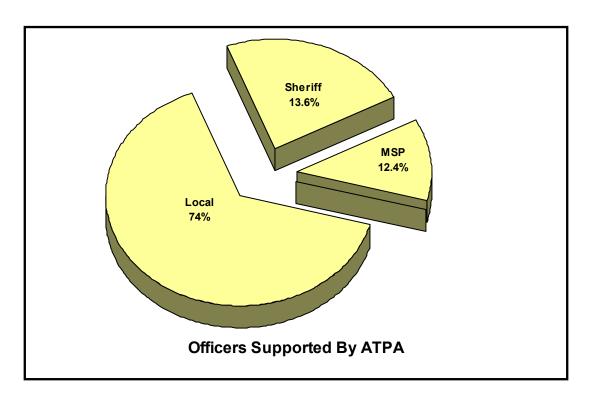
# **2011 GRANT AWARDS**

	Employees	Grantee	ATPA	Total
Organization	Funded	Share (50%)	Share (50%)	Budget
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES				
Grosse Pointe Park PD Eastside Team	5.0	251,836	251,837	503,673
Genesee County Sheriff Department	6.0	322,437	322,438	644,875
Detroit Fire Department	1.0	48,400	48,400	96,800
Hamtramck Police Department	2.0	93,732	93,731	187,463
Southfield Police Department	2.0	136,868	136,868	273,736
Michigan Department of State	2.0	73,024	73,024	146,048
Oakland County Sheriff Department	11.0	604,820	604,820	1,209,640
Macomb County Sheriff Department	10.0	568,311	568,310	1,136,621
Southwest Michigan Team/S.C.A.R.	4.5	277,270	277,270	554,540
Dearborn Police Department	2.0	116,304	116,305	232,609
Monroe County Team	1.0	79,807	79,808	159,615
Western Wayne Team	13.0	805,780	805,780	1,611,560
Washtenaw Area County Team	2.0	136,395	136,394	272,789
Detroit Police Department-Precincts Team	11.0	563,047	563,046	1,126,093
Saginaw Police Department	2.8	122,341	122,341	244,682
Detroit Police Department-Insurance Fraud/Conspiracy Team	16.0	766,825	766,824	1,533,649
Grand Rapids Combined Team	5.0	249,526	249,526	499,052
Lansing Police Department	1.0	63,740	63,741	127,481
Total, Law Enforcement Agencies (includes 9.3 FTE support staff)	97.3	5,280,463	5,280,463	10,560,926
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICES				
Genesee County Prosecuting Attorney	1.5	90,079	90,080	180,159
Saginaw County Prosecuting Attorney	1.0	57,128	57,127	114,255
Macomb County Prosecuting Attorney	1.0	65,016	65,016	130,032
Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney	7.0	434,553	434,553	869,106
Total, Prosecuting Attorneys (includes 2.5 FTE support staff)	10.5	646,776	646,776	1,293,552
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (No Matching Funds Required)				
West Grand Neighborhood Organization-Grand Rapids	1.09		37,157	37,157
MAVTI Training Grant	.50		30,000	30,000
Mt. Olive Grand Lodge (MOGL)-Detroit	0.54		14,180	14,180
Total, Non-Profit Organizations	2.13		81,337	81,337
Grand Totals	109.93	\$5,927,239	\$6,008,576	\$11,935,815

# **Funding by Category**

For 2011, the ATPA awarded 87.9% of its funds to law enforcement agencies, 10.8% to prosecutor offices, and 1.3% to non-profit organizations. The matching fund remains at 50% for law enforcement and prosecutor projects. Non-profit organizations retained 100% funding by the ATPA.

OFFICERS SUPPORTED BY ATPA - 2011					
TEAMS	LOCAL	SHERIFF	MSP	TOTAL	
Dearborn Police Dept.	2			2	
Detroit Fire Department	1			1	
Detroit Police DeptCAT Team	15			15	
Detroit Police DeptScreen Door	10			10	
Genesee County Auto Theft Team	4	1		5	
Grand Rapids Combined Team	5			5	
Grosse Pointe Park PD	5			5	
Hamtramck Police Dept.	2			2	
Lansing Police Dept.	1			1	
Macomb County Auto Theft Team	4	4	1	9	
MAVTI Training Grant	0.5			0.5	
Monroe County Auto Theft Team			1	1	
Oakland County Auto Theft Team	5	6		11	
S.W. Michigan-SCAR Team	2		2	4	
Saginaw Co. Auto Theft Team	2			2	
Southfield Police Dept.	2			2	
Washtenaw County Team		1	1	2	
Western Wayne Auto Theft Team	5		6	11	
Total	65.5	12	11	88.5	
Percentage Of Total	74.0%	13.6%	12.4%	100.0%	



# **AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY**

Department of State Police Schedule of Sources and Disposition of Authorizations and Changes in Balances Fiscal Years Ended September 30

	2010	2009
SOURCES		
Insurance Company Assessments	\$6,243,973	\$6,306,914
Interest on Investments	7,814	22,146
Other Income-Reimbursement from grantees	13	142,640
TOTAL	\$6,251 ,800	\$6,471,700
DISPOSITION		
Automobile Theft Prevention Grants	\$5,357,600	\$6,448,071
Office Operations	385,475	285,599
Budget and Finance Assessment	0	7,600
Management Services Assessment	0	15,900
Civil Service Assessment	4,773	7,495
Internal Audit Assessment	0	4,100
Technology/Telecom Assessments	3,800	5,478
Treasury Investment Fee	1,300	1,700
TOTAL	\$5,752,948	\$6,775,942
Excess of Sources Over (Under) Disposition	\$498,852	(\$304,243)
Beginning Balances	<u>774,886</u>	<u>1,079,129</u>
Total Unexpended and Unrestricted Balances	<u>\$1,273,738</u>	<u>\$774,886</u>
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial	schedule.	

#### Note 1: Significant Accounting Policies

#### a. Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial schedule reports the results of the financial transactions of the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority, Department of State Police, for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2010, and September 30, 2009. The Automobile Theft Prevention Authority's operations are accounted for in the State's General Fund and are reported in the State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The <u>State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report</u> provides general disclosures regarding: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies; Budgeting and Budgetary Control; State Treasurer's Common Cash; Pension Benefits; Compensated Absences; General Long Term Obligations; Contingencies and Other Commitments.

#### b. Basis of Accounting

The financial schedule contained in this report is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting as explained in more detail in the <u>State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.</u>

The accompanying financial schedule includes only the sources and disposition of authorizations and the changes in balances for the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority's General Fund accounts. Accordingly, the financial schedule is not intended to constitute a complete financial presentation of either the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority or the General Fund in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The State of Michigan has not officially closed the books for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010.

#### Note 2: Common Cash Participation

The fund balances of the Authority are deposited in the State Treasurer's Common Cash Pool and interest is earned on those balances.

#### Note 3: Other Income

\$13.26 in reimbursements from MAVTI for office supplies in 2010 and reimbursement from NICB in 2009.

#### Note 4: Matching %

ATPA Board of Directors increased matching fund requirement from 40% to 50% in 2010.

# Note 5: Change in Grant Year

Beginning in 2008, the ATPA Board of Directors changed the grant program from calendar year to fiscal year ending September 30 to coincide with the State of Michigan fiscal year.

The following schedule represents 2010 assessments which are based on the number of earned car years of insured vehicles in 2009 providing no-fault personal injury protection. The assessment was due on April 1, 2010.

# **INSURANCE COMPANY ASSESSMENTS RECEIVED IN 2010**

	COMPANY NAME	Assessment		COMPANY NAME	Assessment
1	State Farm Mutual Automobile Ins. Co.	1,140,423	33	Amica Mutual Insurance Company	11,782
2	Auto Club Ins. Assoc/MEEMIC Ins.	1,126,589	34	QBE Insurance Corporation	8,236
3	Auto-Owners Insurance Company	731,820	35	Northern Mutual Insurance Company	6,997
4	Citizens Insurance Co. of America	470,184	36	State Automobile Mutual Insurance Co.	6,861
5	Progressive Michigan Ins. Company	429,177	37	Partners Mutual Insurance Company	5,993
6	Allstate Insurance Companies	350,390	38	Great Lake Casualty Insurance Co.	5,884
7	Farm Bureau General Ins. of Michigan	328,158	39	American Bankers Ins. of Florida	5,639
8	Farmers Ins. Exc. Corp./Foremost Ins.	222,510	40	American Fellowship Mutual Ins. Co.	4,554
9	Nationwide/Titan Insurance Companies	166,715	41	Mercury National Insurance Company	4,297
10	Frankenmuth Mutual Ins. Company	156,906	42	Philadelphia Indemnity Ins. Company	3,442
11	Liberty Mutual Fire Ins. Company	113,910	43	Harleysville Lake State Insurance Co.	2,795
12	Pioneer State Mutual Ins. Company	109,541	44	Employers Mutual Casualty Company	2,606
13	United Services Automobile Association	95,081	45	The Travelers Indemnity Co. of America	2,116
14	Essentia Insurance Company	76,873	46	American Modern Home Insurance Co.	2,058
15	MIC General Insurance Company	76,706	47	Chartis Casualty Insurance Company	1,452
16	Hartford Insurance Co. of Midwest	71,053	48	Michigan Automobile Ins. Placement F.	1,113
17	Grange Insurance Co. of Michigan	66,268	49	Great Northern Insurance Company	1,098
18	Michigan Insurance Company	49,328	50	National Interstate Insurance Company	839
19	GEICO Indemnity Company	45,697	51	The American Insurance Company	649
20	Hastings Mutual Insurance Company	42,612	52	American Modern Home Insurance Co.	272
21	Michigan Millers Mutual Ins. Company	38,860	53	Central Mutual Insurance Company	239
22	Fremont Mutual Insurance Company	36,190	54	Electric Insurance Company	238
23	IDS Property Casualty Ins. Company	33,275	55	Pennsylvania Lumbermens Mut. Ins. Co.	177
24	Metropolitan Group P&C Ins. Company	30,499	56	RLI Insurance Company	143
25	Dairyland Insurance Company	27,331	57	Federal Insurance Company	108
26	The Cincinnati Insurance Company	23,692	58	Meritplan Insurance Company	68
27	Affirmative Insurance Company	23,292	59	Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance	59
28	SECURA Supreme Insurance Company	17,995	60	Various small Insurance companies <sup>1</sup>	33
29	Westfield Insurance Company	17,240	61	Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Co.	26
30	Unitrin Direct Insurance Company	16,663	62	Western General Insurance Company	26
31	Teachers Insurance Company	15,881	63	ACE Fire Underwriting Insurance Co.	16
32	Wolverine Mutual Insurance Company	13,299		Total	6,243,973
			(1) \	/arious : Occidental Fire & Casualty Ins. Co.	13
			Com	npanion Property & Casualty Ins. Company	9
			Knig	htBrook Insurance Company	7
			Mer	chants Mutual Insurance Company	3
			Ame	erican Safety and Casualty Ins. Company	1

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Total Various Small Insurance Companies

# 2011 ATPA PROJECT CONTACTS

LAW ENFORCEMENT			
	Contact	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Fax</u>
Canton Township Police Dept.	D/Lt. Ray Collins	734.397.0090 Ex: 13	734.397.1378
City of Grand Rapids Police Dept.	Sgt. Stanley Lis	616.456.3338	616.456.3799
City of Hamtramck Department of Police	Officer Greg Collins	313.876.7824	313.876.7829
Dearborn Police Dept.	Det. Mike Maurier	313.943.2273	313.943.3093
Detroit Fire Department, Arson Section	Capt. Frank Maiorana	313.237.2843	313.596.2978
Detroit Police Dept. Commercial Auto Theft	Sgt. Vernal Newson	313.596.2846	313.596.2727
Genesee County Auto Theft	Lt. Kevin Shanlian	810.655.8185	810.655.8058
Grosse Pointe Park PD	Sgt. James Vogler	313.822.4435	313.822.4543
Lansing Police Dept.	Det. Teresa Eisfelder	517.483.6858	517.483.6875
Macomb County Sheriff's Office	Lt. Dave Daniels	586.469.6491	586.469.6844
Michigan Department of State	Mr. Daniel Romanek	517.322.1073	517.322.3456
MSP - SW Commercial Auto Recovery	D/Lt. Russ Ammon	269.337.4051	269.337.3163
MSP - Washtenaw Area Auto Theft Team	D/Sgt. George Warchock	734.994.8652	734.994.8657
MSP -Monroe Auto Theft Enforcement	D/Sgt. Jeff Hart	734.848.3445	734.848.3502
Oakland County Sheriff's Office	Sgt. Kevin Banycky	248.858.5208	248.858.9565
Saginaw County Auto Theft Team	Det. Scott Jackson	989.759.1212	989.759.1525
Southfield City Police Department	Det. Lawrence Jones	248.796.5547	248.796.5545
Wayne State University	Capt. Stephen Hausner	313.577.2062	313.577.2064
PROSECUTORS			
	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Fax</u>
Genesee County Prosecutor's Office	Mr. George DeMeo II	810.237.6138	810.766.7973
Macomb County Prosecutor's Office	Mr. Mike Macherzak	586.469.7293	586.469.5609
Saginaw County Prosecutor's Office	Mr. Alan Reimers	989.790.5332	989.792.0803
Wayne County Prosecutor's Office	Mr. Dennis Doherty	313.224.0307	313.224.5784
NON-PROFITS			
	Contact	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Fax</u>
MAVTI Field Training Program	Mr. Kyle McPhee	517.819.5542	517.646.7966
Mount Olive Grand Lodge	Mr. Eddie Allen	313.838.7440	313.273.3410
West Grand Neighborhood Organization	Mr. Jim Brower	616.451.0150	616.451.3856

#### 1992 PA 174

# MCL 500.6101 et seq.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as amended, being sections 500.100 to 500.8302 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended by adding chapter 61 to read as follows:

#### **CHAPTER 61**

#### **AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY**

Sec. 6101. As used in this chapter:

- (a) "Authority" means the automobile theft prevention authority.
- (b) "Board" means the board of directors of the automobile theft prevention authority.
- (c) "Economic automobile theft" means automobile theft perpetrated for financial gain.
- Sec. 6103. (1) There is hereby created a public body corporate and politic to be known as the automobile theft prevention authority.
- (2) The purposes, powers, and duties of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors.
- (3) The board of directors shall consist of 7 members, appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, 2 of whom shall be representative of purchasers of automobile insurance in this state, 2 of whom shall be representative of automobile insurers doing business in this state, 2 of whom shall be representative of law enforcement officials in this state, and 1 of whom shall be the director of the department of state police or his or her designee. The governor shall designate 1 member to serve as the chairperson of the authority.
- (4) Members of the board shall serve for a term of 4 years.
- (5) Members of the board shall serve without compensation for their membership on the board, except that members of the board shall receive reasonable reimbursement for necessary travel and expenses.
- (6) A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting, or the exercise of a power or function of the authority, notwithstanding the existence of 1 or more vacancies. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, action may be taken by the authority at a meeting upon a vote of the majority of its members present in person or through the use of amplified telephonic equipment, if authorized by the bylaws of the board. The authority shall meet at the call of the chair or as may be provided in the bylaws of the authority. Meetings of the authority may be held anywhere within the state of Michigan.
- (7) The authority shall be within the department of state police and shall exercise its prescribed statutory powers, duties, and functions independently of the head of that department. The budgeting, procurement, and related functions of the authority, and administrative responsibilities for employees of the authority, shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the director of the department of state police.

- Sec. 6105. The authority shall have the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter and the purposes of the authority and the powers delegated by other laws, including, but not limited to, the power to:
- (a) Sue and be sued; to have a seal and alter the same at pleasure; to have perpetual succession; to make, execute, and deliver contracts, conveyances, and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers; and to make and amend bylaws.
- (b) Solicit and accept gifts, grants, loans, funds collected and placed in the automobile theft prevention fund, and other aids from any person or the federal, state, or a local government or any agency thereof.
- (c) Make grants and investments.
- (d) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with its property, assets, or activities.
- (e) Invest any money held in reserve or sinking funds, or any money not required for immediate use or disbursement, at its discretion and to name and use depositories for its money.
- (f) Contract for goods and services and engage personnel as is necessary, including the services of private consultants, managers, counsel, auditors, and others for rendering professional, management, and technical assistance and advice, payable out of any money of the fund legally available for this purpose.
- (g) Indemnify and procure insurance indemnifying any member of the board from personal loss or accountability from liability resulting from a member's action or inaction as a member of the board.
- (h) Do all other things necessary or convenient to achieve the objectives and purposes of the authority, this chapter, or other laws.
- Sec. 6107. (1) Prior to April 1 of each year, each insurer engaged in writing insurance coverages which provide the security required by section 3101(1) within this state, as a condition of its authority to transact insurance in this state, shall pay to the authority an assessment equal to \$1.00 multiplied by the insurer's total earned car years of insurance providing the security required by section 3101(1) written in this state during the immediately preceding calendar year.
- (2) Money received pursuant to subsection (1), and all other money received by the authority, shall be segregated and placed in a fund to be known as the automobile theft prevention fund. The automobile theft prevention fund shall be administered by the authority.
- (3) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall be expended in the following order of priority:
- (a) To pay the costs of administration of the authority.
- (b) To achieve the purposes and objectives of this chapter, which may include, but not be limited to, the following:
- (i) Provide financial support to the department of state police and local law enforcement agencies for economic automobile theft enforcement teams.

- (ii) Provide financial support to state or local law enforcement agencies for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.
- (iii) Provide financial support to local prosecutors for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.
- (iv) Provide financial support to judicial agencies for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.
- (v) Provide financial support for neighborhood or community organizations or business organizations for programs designed to reduce the incidence of automobile theft.
- (vi) Conduct educational programs designed to inform automobile owners of methods of preventing automobile theft and to provide equipment, for experimental purposes, to enable automobile owners to prevent automobile theft.
- (4) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall only be used for automobile theft prevention efforts and shall be distributed based on need and efficacy as determined by the authority.
- (5) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall not be considered state money.
- Sec. 6110. (1) The authority shall develop and implement a plan of operation.
- (2) The plan of operation shall include an assessment of the scope of the problem of automobile theft, including particular areas of the state where the problem is greatest; an analysis of various methods of combating the problem of automobile theft and economic automobile theft; a plan for providing financial support to combat automobile theft and economic automobile theft; and an estimate of the funds required to implement the plan.
- (3) The authority shall report annually on or before February 1 to the governor and the legislature on its activities in the preceding year.
- Sec. 6111. By July 1 of every odd numbered year, the automobile theft prevention authority shall prepare a report that details the theft of automobiles occurring in this state for the previous 2 years, assesses the impact of the thefts on rates charged for automobile insurance, summarizes prevention programs, and outlines allocations made by the authority. The director of the department of state police, insurers, and the commissioner shall cooperate in the development of the report as requested by the automobile theft prevention authority and shall make available records and statistics concerning automobile thefts, including the number of automobile thefts, number of prosecutions and convictions involving automobile thefts, and automobile theft recidivism. The automobile theft prevention authority shall evaluate the impact automobile theft has on the citizens of this state and the costs incurred by the citizens through insurance, police enforcement, prosecution, and incarceration due to automobile thefts. The report required by this section shall be submitted to the senate and house of representatives standing committees on insurance issues and the commissioner.
- Section 2. Chapter 61 of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as added by this amendatory act, is retroactive and applies effective April 1, 1992.

# What You Should Know When Buying or Selling a Vehicle

# **PRIVATE VEHICLE SALES**

- Ask for purchaser's driver's license to fully complete the purchaser's section
  of the title, and copy the information onto a separate receipt form for yourself.
- Be sure to fill in the actual vehicle mileage box and the sales price line before you sign the title.
- If purchaser presents a bank money order or cashier's check, go to that financial institution and cash it before releasing the vehicle title.
- Never agree to meet purchaser at a remote location after normal business hours.
- It is a good idea to conduct the vehicle sale inside a Secretary of State office because they have records on all drivers and can help you identify the purchaser.

# PRIVATE VEHICLE PURCHASES

- Be suspicious of any deal that seems "too good to be true".
- Make sure the title and registration match the name and address of the seller.
- Be cautious of a seller who only gives you their cell phone number.
- Ensure the vehicle identification number (VIN) plate looks original and the rivets that secure the plate have not been tampered with.
- Match the VIN on the dash with the VIN on the registration, the title, and the federal safety sticker on the driver's door.
- Check the issue date on the vehicle's registration and title. If either were issued recently, ask the seller why.
- It is a good idea to complete the vehicle purchase inside a Secretary of State
  office because they can identify counterfeit registrations and titles.
- For a modest fee, you can find out much about a vehicle's history from an online service.

# FLOOD DAMAGED VEHICLES

In the future, there may be close to 500,000 cars which were damaged by floods—and not just in the Gulf region. Their titles may have been "washed" in other far-away states. How to identify a flood damaged vehicle:

- Stain marks, rust, mildew, sand, or silt under the floorboard carpet.
- Dried mud under the dashboard, behind wiring harnesses, and in alternator crevices.
- Rust on screws in the console and other areas where water normally would not reach.
- Rust and water residue in the electrical wiring system.
- Anything unusual in the vehicle's title history.

Go to <u>www.nicb.org</u> for more details.